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## AMENDMENT A

Responsive to the Official Action in the above matter dated July 30, 2001, please enter the following amendments, and consider the accompanying remarks. The fee for the two month extension of time is enclosed.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, and 7/4 as presented below. For the convenience of the Examiner, all pending claims as amended are included below. A marked-up version of the claims that are amended herein follows the Remarks section.

- 1. (Amended) In a system including a computer network communicatively
- coupling a plurality of casino properties, a computer implemented method for tracking